

INTIMATIONS

MAILS EXPECTED.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.
& O. steamer *Oceanica*, with the next mail, was to leave Yokohama on the is hourly expected.
& O. steamer *Coptic*, with the succeeded-mail, left San Francisco on the and may be expected here on or about June.

On Line steamer *Boromus* left Singapore on the 20th, and may be expected to arrive on the 26th inst.

On Line steamer *Flamis Castle* left Singapore on the 21st, and is due here on the 27th inst.

On Line steamer *Radnorshire* left Singapore on the 21st, and is due here on the 27th inst.

On Line steamer *Stanton* left Singapore on the 21st, and is due here on the 27th inst.

the evening of the 21st, and is due here
thinst.

POST-OFFICE NOTICES.

The authorised List of Mails issued in
conjunction with this paper is the one published
each day in our Extra, which is always
sent to a much later hour than that given
in a MAIL WILL CLOSE
at 12.30. For further particulars see the
Extra.

Bangkok and Bangkok.—Per *Chianghai*, on
 the 28th instant, at 11.30 A.M.
 Bangkok.—Per *Chianghai*, to-day, the
 instant, at 3.30 P.M.
 Bangkok and Bangkok.—Per *Mongkut*, on
 the 29th instant, at 7.30 A.M.
 Bangkok and Kait.—Per *Thales*, on
 the 1st June, at 3.30 P.M.

S BY THE FRENCH PACKET.
 French Contract Packet "OXUS"
 despatched on THURSDAY, the 31st
 of Mails to the United Kingdom.

places beyond, via Naples: to Sai-
raite Settlements, Batavia, Burmah,
India (via Madras), the Australasian
Colon, Egypt, Malta, Gibraltar.
usual hours will be observed in closing
s, &c.

**FOR CLOSING THE CONTRACT
MAILS.**
THE FRENCH MAIL.
Day before Departure.
Money Order Office, Post Office

except the night box, which is always out of office hours.

Day of Departure.
Post Office opens.
Registry of Letters ceases. Posting of dated matter and patterns ceases.
Mail closes, except for Late Letters.
L. Letters may be posted with Late Payments until
11 a. m., when the Post Office closes entirely.
L. Late Letters may be posted on board packet with Late Fees of 10 Cents until

THE ENGLISH MAIL.
Following hours are observed in closing
by the British Contract Packet :—
Day of Departure.
Money Order Office closes.
—Registry of Letters ceases. Post-
of all printed matter and patterns ceases.
—Mails closed, except for Late Letters.
—Letters may be posted with late fee
cents until Post Office closes entirely.

— Late Letters may be posted on board packet with late fee of 10 cents, until of departure.

MONEY LETTERS.

attention is called to the following from the Hongkong Postal Guide, ch 60:—

Post Office declines all responsibility registered Letters containing Bank Notes where Registration has been neglected, and no inquiries into alleged losses

possibility can be accepted by the Post
r arguments replies to verbal angles,
s addressed to subordinate officers. The
ld off to sell stamps should, especially
arded as well to give correct informa-
ne Postal Guide alone is the standard on
s on which such information may be

of the seals, was not set, and was
with sealing wax, but there is no im-
of a seal. —
of taxholders is called to the
of carefully sealing such boxes with
recognisable seal, and of sending a chit-
receipt with them. The omission of
or precaution leaves a doubt as to whe-
contents of the box ever reached the
coo; the omission of the former, as to
part of them might not have been ab-
for the sake of the Postage Stamps.

WIDOWS' AND SAILORS' LETTERS.
Privates in H.M. Army or Navy. Non-Commissioned Officers,* Bandmasters Army
sailors (not Superintending or First
Writers or Schoolmistresses may send
one letter to the United Kingdom by
the rate of four cents (two pence) each,
to be prepaid either in Imperial or in
Foreign Stamps. By private steamer the
rate is 2 cents (one penny), which is also
the rate of Postage on Soldiers' and
Sailors' sent elsewhere.
The same priviledges only to letters ad-

the Privates and Non-commissioned named above.
Private steamers leave Hongkong for about every ten days.
No letters must not exceed half an ounce, no
cigarsthefts, jewellery, &c., can be sent, at
the ends upon.
from a Soldier or Sailor his class and
must be stated in full on the letter,
of which must be signed by the Com-
Officer, with name of regiment, ship, &c.,
to a Soldier or Sailor, his class and de-
with name of regiment ship, &c. must

it is desired to forward letters to the States by a sailing ship which is not carrying a mail, it is only necessary to letters in the ordinary way, marked

name of the ship, and prepaid 10 cents unce) as usual. The Post Office then as the duty of obtaining notice of date despatching the correspondence. It said that the letters be posted if possible one day before the date fixed for sailing.

LOCAL AND INDIAN PARCEL POST.

All Parcels may be sent by Post at Hong-ween Hongkong and any of the British es in China, as well as to Japan, Macao, the Straits Settlements, Ceylon and India. It not exceed the following dimensions:

g, 1 foot broad, 1 foot deep, weigh more or less, nor be smaller than 3 in. by 2 in. by 1 in. parcels may be wholly closed if they are specially endorsed. *Parcels, containing* but any parcel may be opened by the Director of the Postmaster General. In the Case of India a declaration of contents and weight is required, a printed form for which is obtainable gratis. The Registration of Parcels in Ceylon is compulsory.

Stamps tendered for sale must not ex-
ceed in value, must be perfectly clean, in
addition, and in strips of at least two, as
the Stamps will be purchased. They
must be presented personally or accompanied
by a person containing Stamps should be regis-
tered and the Stamps should be secured from

